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c. 1890

Emma Turner and Richard Turner Houses (Sites)
Boyds, Turnertown community
Private

On this site once stood the original log house of the founder of the Turnertown community, Emma Turner, born in 1826. Her grandchildren inherited small portions of the land that she acquired in the late 1800's. Her descendants continue to live in the Turnertown community today, though only one old log house remains.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC The Emma Turner and Richard Turner Houses (sites)

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER East side of Old Bucklodge Lane

CITY, TOWN Boyds CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8

STATE Maryland VICINITY OF Turnertown COUNTY Montgomery 20720

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
	No	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Paul and Betty Hawkins Telephone #: 972-0533

STREET & NUMBER Old Bucklodge Lane

CITY, TOWN Boyds STATE, zip code Maryland 20720

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Registry of Deeds Liber #: 4234
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC Montgomery County Courthouse Folio #: 317

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN Rockville STATE Maryland 20850

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

According to Mrs. Mary Turner and her daughter, Mary Turner, this house was a one and a half story frame house. There were four rooms downstairs: kitchen, dining room, and two bedrooms. There was an upstairs which could have served as a bedroom, but it was not used. There was also a cellar.

See description of the David and Susie Turner house for further details about the yard, and outbuildings, and ways of life of the families in Turnertown.

According to Mabel Turner Irving, the frame house was built in the 1930's by her father, Richard Turner, or a replacement for the earlier log house, the log dwelling had been the home of her grandmother, Emma Turner. It was torn down when the frame house was constructed.

The log house originally consisted of only one room down and one up. Richard Turner added a frame kitchen to one gable end in the 1910s. The log section consisted of a two bay facade, a door centrally located, flanked by a sash window with 6 x 6 panes. The logs were exposed outside, but inside Richard Turner plastered over them. Both outside and inside were whitewashed by the Turner family in the spring and fall, Mrs. Irvin recalls.

Inside, the house contained the two original rooms downstairs and upstairs plus the added kitchen. Like most log houses of Black families in upper Montgomery County, there were no fireplaces, instead, stove flues for wood burning stoves were present. There was a cook stove in the the kitchen, and a smaller heat stove in the "parlor". Everyone slept upstairs, Mrs. Irvin recalls.

The grounds and outbuildings were well-maintained. Mrs. Irvin recalls that "beautiful grass" grew in front of the house and her mother planted flowers around the yard. The yard was a dirt yard, chopped clean of grass and swept with bush brooms like many other rural Black homes in Maryland. Beside the house was a large vegetable garden. Behind the house was a chicken lot, a shed for the cow, a privy, and further away, the hog lot.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Black History	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

According to the deed JA 60/485, this property was inherited from Emma Turner, the mother of Richard Turner, in 1914. This tract was the three acre tract that she was given by John J. Jamison in 1897, according to deed JA 60/485. The frame house was probably built at that time and reflects the change in houses built in that time, when compared to the earlier log houses of the Turner families.

For further discussion, see the inventory form for the David and Susie Turner house.

According to Mrs. Irvin, her father was a "jack of all trades". He fixed "everything for everybody" in the vicinity, white and black. He especially enjoyed and was adept at carpentry and helped to build silos and barns for local farmers, and built the house of Perry Duffin, in the White Grounds community of Boyds. He also shoed horses and worked as farm hand, joining other men in the community, for example, in the fall for corn shuckings. His daughter recalls that her father worked at Union Station for a year in Washington, D.C., but resigned from the job because it "took him away from the things he liked to do".

The deed J.A.60/485 shows that Emma Turner was the first of the Turner family to settle in the future Turnertown community, buying three acres in 1897. Her earlier history is unknown. Perhaps she had been living or working in the vicinity. According to the U.S. Census of 1900, Emma Turner was born in Maryland in 1826. At that time, Nancie Rawlings was listed as head of the household, with Emily Turner as mother-in-law. Five Turner children were listed: Mallie (Hebron), David, Emma, Harry, and Douglas. Hayward H. Corn (sic) was listed as grandson.

According to Mable Irvin, Emma Turner's property was on both sides of Old Buck Lodge Lane. There was no house on the west side; only the log house on the east side. Since it is no longer standing, and since no informants recall its earlier history, it is not possible to date it or know if it was constructed for the residence of the Turner family. Since it was constructed with a stove flue and double hung sash windows instead of wooden shutters, the log house was of a type more likely to have been built in the last quarter of the 19th century.

According to the deed to Emma Turner, John and Jane Jamison sold to Emma Turner this three acres for "one cent", "in consideration of the services rendered" unto them by Emma Turner.

For the 1867 census of freed slave of Montgomery County, an "Emma Turner" is listed as 32 years old, hence born in 1835, and a former slave of Mrs. Susan M. Banting. Since the dates of birth are somewhat closer this may be the Emma Turner listed in the 1900 census and the

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Oral interviews with Mary Turner and her daughter Mary Turner (not taped) at their home in the Turnertown community near Boyds, Md., February 2 1979, by George McDaniel.

Land Records of Montgomery County, Maryland. Deed 4234/317; JA 60/485

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

George W. McDaniel

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

March 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

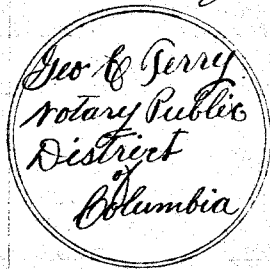
The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

District of Columbia to wit:

I hereby certify that on this 18th day of October A.D. 1897, before the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the District of Columbia personally appeared Nathan Brickford and acknowledged the foregoing deed to be his act.



In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal this 18th day of October A.D. 1897

Geo. & Perry,
Notary Public.
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At the request of Emma Turner the following deed was recorded this 14th day of December 1897 to wit:

This Deed made this 6th day of October eighteen hundred and ninety seven by John I. Jamison and Jane C. Jamison his wife, witnesseth that in consideration of services rendered unto the said John I. Jamison and Jane C. Jamison his wife, and further consideration of the sum of one cent do grant unto Emma Turner of Montgomery County, State of Maryland all of our right title interest and estate in and to the following described piece or parcel of land situate and being in said county and being part of a tract called Buck Lodge it also being a part of the land bought by John I. Jamison Executor of Teresa Jones, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the place where the lands of the Grant heirs James W. Darby, and the land of Teresa Jones, bought by John I. Jamison meet, and running on the dividing line between James W. Darby and said land of John I. Jamison to the middle of the Public road and with said Public Road going south to a point opposite to a buried stone, the distance being about seventy yards, thence on a line parallel to the line between James W. Darby and said lot to the place where it meets the lands of the Grant heirs thence on the dividing line to the beginning, containing three acres of land more or less together with all and singular, the buildings and improvements thereon, and the rights, roads and privileges appertaining; and the said John I. Jamison and Jane C. Jamison his wife covenant to warrant the land hereby conveyed and to execute any and all other assurance that may be necessary the better to convey the same.

Witness our hands and seals

trust mentioned in the foregoing and annexed Deed, this conveyance is assented to

American Security
and Trust Company
Incorporated, 1890.

American Security and Trust Company,

By Charles F. Bell,

President.

Attest: James F. Hood,

Secretary.

District of Columbia, to wit:

I hereby certify that on this third day of July in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public, in and for the District of Columbia, aforesaid, personally appeared J. Hite Miller, the attorney named in the foregoing and annexed deed, and acknowledged the said deed to be the act and deed of the Bethesda Land Company of Montgomery County; also personally appeared in said District of Columbia, before the subscriber, William D. Hoover, the attorney also named in said foregoing deed, and acknowledged the same to be the act of the National Savings and Trust Company.

Albert H. Shillington,
Notary Public,
District of
Columbia.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my official seal.

Albert H. Shillington,

Notary Public.

My Commission expires October 7, 1915.

EXAMINED

Delivered to

John Umstead

July 30, 1914.

At the request of Richard H. Turner, the following Deed was recorded July 7th, A.D. 1914, at 1.10 o'clock P. M. to wit:

This Deed, made this sixth day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen by Emma Turner widow, of Montgomery County, in the State of Maryland, Witnesseth; That for and in consideration of the sum of ten dollars and divers other good and valuable considerations, me thereunto moving, I, the said Emma Turner, do grant in fee simple, unto Richard H. Turner, of said County and State, all that lot, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in said Montgomery County, being part of a tract of land called "Buck Lodge" or by whatever name or names the same may be known or called, and bounded as follows: BEGINNING at the place where the lands formerly belonging to the Grant heirs, James W. Darby and the land which Teresa Jones conveyed to John J. Jamison, meet and running on the dividing line James W. Darby and said lands of John J. Jamison to the middle of the public road, then with said public road going South to a point opposite to a buried stone, the distance being about seventy yards; thence on a line parallel to the line between James W. Darby and said lot belonging to said John J. Jamison, to the place where it meets the lands of the Grant Heirs, thence on the dividing line to the Beginning, containing three (3) acres of land, more or less, and being the same land which was conveyed to the said Emma Turner, by John J. Jamison and

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wife, by deed dated the sixth day of October, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety seven, and duly recorded among the Land Records of said County, in Liber J. A. No. 60, folio 485.

Together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise thereunto appertaining.

And the said Emma Turner covenants to warrant generally the lands and premises hereby conveyed and to execute any and all such further assurances as may be requisite or necessary, the better to convey the same as aforesaid.

Witness my hand and seal.

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Emma X Turner,
mark

(Seal)

Charles T. Day,

State of Maryland, Montgomery County, to wit:

I hereby certify that on this sixth day of July in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Montgomery County, personally appeared Emma Turner, and did acknowledge the foregoing and annexed deed to be her act and deed.

Charles T. Day, J.P.

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EXAMINED

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At the request of Casper E. Cline, the following Power of Attorney was recorded July 7th, A. D. 1914, at 2.00 o'clock P. M. to wit:

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That I, Mrs. Annie A. Cline, of Newton Highlands, Middlesex County, in the State of Massachusetts, do hereby constitute and appoint my son, Casper E. Cline, of Frederick County, in the State of Maryland, my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name, and in my behalf to transact all business, with full power and authority to release any and all mortgages and judgments, execute all instruments that may be required to be executed, and to do any and everything for me and in my name as fully as I could do if personally present at the doing thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 15th day of April, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Test:

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Mrs. Annie A. Cline, (Seal)

Eli Frost,

State of Maryland, Frederick County, to wit:

I hereby certify, that on this 15th day of April, A. D. 1914, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for Frederick County, personally appeared Mrs. Annie A. Cline, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney to be her act and deed.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal.

Eli Frost,

Notary Public,

Eli Frost,
Notary Public,
Fred'k Co. Md.

Commission Expires May 4th, 1914.



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1. Copy of photo
Mabel Turner
Irvin

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3. Photographer:

JOSEPH J. DAVIS
4501 WOODFIELD ROAD
KENSINGTON, MD 20795

4. Date: 1979 FEB - 4

5. Negative of copy
resides with photographer.

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7. File No. 791017

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Copy of Photo: Mabel Turner Irvin
Daughter of Richard Turner
Photographer: Joseph J. Davis
Date : Feb. 4, 1979



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1. Copy of photo

Oscar & Lummie

Turner. Son of

Alverta & Richard

Turner

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